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SUBJECT: VISIT OF IRANIAN OCEANOGRAPHERS

1. DR. RONKIN, NSF, DISCUSSED PROSPECTIVE VISIT WITH DR. PARSA, GOI. RESULTS: (A) VISIT WILL NOT RPT NOT OCCUR IN AUGUST, (B) PARSA FAVORS START U.S. PROGRAM SEPTEMBER 7, 1976, AND MAY FOLLOW RONKIN SUGGESTION OF ETA WASHINGTON 5TH, (C) THIS DATE NOT RPT NOT FIRM UNTIL PARSA GETS TRAVELER CONCURRENCE, (D) VISIT EXPECTED TO BE JOINED BY DR. F. HOSSEINIE, PAHLAVI UNIVERSITY, NOW AT JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY MECH. ENGG. DEPT. BIODATA NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE. EMBASSY EXPECTS RECEIVE CONFIRMED DETAILS FROM PARSA FEW DAYS, WILL CABLE NSF.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS OF OCEANOGRAPHY SUBCOMMITTEE OF USIRSTE COMMITTEE ARE EXPECTED TO BE TIGHTLY COUPLED TO VISIT OBJECTIVES. THUS, NSF PLANS FOR VISIT SHOULD BE RELATED TO SUBCOMMITTEE INTERESTS IN (A) SYSTEMATIZING AND PROMOTING BIOLOGICAL COLLECTIONS AND HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEYS, (B) DEVELOPMENT OF A MARINE DATA CENTER IN IRAN, (C) TRAINING IN MARINE SCIENCES, INCLUDING VISITS OF U.S. EXPERTS, DEVELOPMENT SHORT TRAINING PROGRAMS IN U.S., EXCHANGE PROGRAMS, (D) US/IR COLLABORATIVE STUDIES OF PERSIAN GULF AS UNIQUE
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ECOSYSTEM (E) SUPPLYING IRAN WITH PLANS OF SUCCESSFUL U.S.

MARINE LABS AND DEVELOPMENT OF CONTACTS IN LAB ARCHITECTURE,
(F) HYDROGRAPHIC INSTRUMENTATION SUITABLE FOR EXTREME
CONDITIONS (G) EXPANSION EXISTING SEA WATER DATA TABLES
SAME PURPOSE, AND (H) DATA EXCHANGE WITH GULF OF MEXICO
SCIENTISTS, E.G., AT TEXAS.

3. ABOVE AREAS LIKELY TO GENERATE IRANIAN PROPOSALS DUE JANUARY
1977.

4. LEAD AGENCY FOR OCEANOGRAPHY IS NOAA. CONTACT MCLELLAN
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